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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

The engagement of Miss Katherine Drexel Dahlgren, who has been spending the summer at Greenfield Hill, to Richard Smith Emmett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Devereaux Emmett of New York, has been announced. Miss Dahlgren is the granddaughter of the Joseph W. Drexel, who was associated in business with the late J. Pierpont Morgan.

The boys of Fairfield gave a delightful wild west performance at the summer residence of Mrs. L. DeVer Warren yesterday afternoon. The performance was rehearsed in the forenoon under the direction of George Brett, Jr., who has returned from the border on sick leave. The boys had luncheon at noon and rested until 4 o'clock when the performance commenced. Persons from Bridgeport, Southport, and other places as well as Fairfield were present. The gate receipts and flower sale netted \$88, which will be given to the Fairfield Red Cross society. Those who took part were: Valery, Howard, Jr., Richard Brett, Jr., Warren, John, Sturges, Franklin, Bullock, Clyde Buckingham, Malcolm Goodridge and Miss Eva Dahlgren. Joseph Dahlgren was usher. Mrs. George Brett, Mrs. Valery Howard and Mrs. Frederick Sturges had charge of the flower tables. Mrs. Warren acted as a flower show.

The Tea Time Tavern was opened this afternoon for the last time this season at the residence of Mrs. John Field, Greenfield Hill. Mrs. DeVer C. Warner and Mrs. Emma Barker received the guests. The Thimble club entertained and the boys' orchestra played for dancing.

Cards are out announcing the coming marriage of Miss Dorothy DeLoes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. DeLoes of Park avenue, to Ralph Blackburn. The ceremony will take place at 4 o'clock Wednesday, Oct. 18, at the home of the bride's parents. Only a few friends have been invited to witness the ceremony. About 500 have been bidden to the reception which will follow. Mrs. John Field will be matron of honor, while Miss Barbara Waldo, Marjorie DeLoes, Mrs. Charles G. Williams and Miss Esther Lyman of Middletown, Ct., will be bridesmaids.

Mrs. Charlotte Whitney, 33 Housatonic avenue, Stratford, entertained the members of the Bridgeport Girls' club at her home, Saturday. Sandwiches, home made cake and ice cream were served.

Daniel McDougal, an employee of the Locomobile Co. of this city, and Mrs. Ella L. Griswold of Torrington, were married at noon yesterday in Torrington.

Mr. and Mrs. Dudley M. Morris of Linden avenue, observed their wedding anniversary with a dinner at the White Turkey Inn last evening. Mrs. Morris was Miss Edna Grippin. The couple had as their guests: Mr. and Mrs. Alvin C. Buel, Mr. and Mrs. Laurence M. Cornwall, Mr. and Mrs. John Field, Mr. and Mrs. William J. Grippin, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hawley, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Hawthorne, Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. Horace B. Merwin, Mr. and Mrs. A. Carlton Steiner, Mr. and Mrs. DeVer C. Warner, Mr. and Mrs. William Webb, Miss Eugenia Barker, Miss Dorothy DeLoes, Miss Marion Gibley, Mrs. Robert M. Morris of Milford, Miss Alice Pierce, Miss Emily Sanford, Miss Barbara Waldo, Ralph Blackburn, William Feeter, Robert A. Gibley, Jonathan Gibley, Horace Hawthorne, Harvey Irving, Dr. D. C. Patterson and Radcliff Spott.

A musicale is to be given in the Nichols Methodist church on Thursday evening, Sept. 28. The Olivet Mandolin club will play. Miss Yates will sing and Miss Calburn will read.

The annual business meeting and election of officers of the Bridgeport branch, Woman's Christian Temperance union will be held tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock at the rooms, 239 Gilbert street.

LAMPMAN-JENNINGS.
Miss Eva Mae Lampman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lampman, and Mr. Willard Clinton Jennings, son of Mr. and Mrs. Percy L. Jennings of Benham avenue, were married last evening in the First Baptist church. The ceremony was at 6 o'clock and Rev. John R. Brown, pastor of the church, officiated, assisted by Rev. George W. Nicholson, pastor emeritus. Miss Lampman was given in marriage by her father. The matrons of honor were Mrs. Frank Frederickson and Mrs. Clarence Lampman. Herman Berg was groomsmen. The ushers were Elmer Bush, Frank Frederickson, James McBride and Clarence Lampman. Violet Mae Lampman, a little niece of the bride, was flower girl. She scattered rosebuds in the path of the bridal couple. She wore a dress of pale blue chiffon. Herbert H. Cutler, organist of the church, played the wedding music. Before the ceremony, Emanuel Ahlberg sang, "O Promise Me," and after the ceremony, "A Perfect Day."

The bride wore a gown of embroidered net and white tulle, cut with bodice and draperies of net, with wide bell sleeves deeply pointed. Her veil was arranged in high ruche, held in place by tiny flowers. She carried a shower bouquet of roses. Mrs. Frederickson wore rose pink

"TANK" STALLED WHEN GAS SUPPLY RUNS OUT, IS SAVED BY BRITISH

Lumbering War Machine, Starting Off Toward Berlin on Its Own Hook, Stops Above German Dug-out—Enemy Fails to Pry Into Its Vitals, and British Troops, Disregarding Commands, Rush Forward to the Rescue.

British Front in France, Sept. 27, midnight, via London, Sept. 28.—In the lull which has resulted after the great battle in which five villages and 5,000 prisoners were taken by the allies, the correspondent of the Associated Press has had an opportunity to glean many stories looking for the participants in the struggle. These stories were not only of courage and heroism but of a humor and paradox possible only in such complicated and remorseless warfare.

The most wonderful of all the tales told was perhaps that of one of the "tanks" or new armored motor cars, which started for Berlin on its own account. This monstrous land ship, lumbering and rumbling along, did not wait on the infantry after the taking of Guedecourt, but plodded over shell holes and across lots of barbed wire, in course of time it found a German trench but as it engaged the occupants with its machine gun it ran out of gasoline.

When the Germans "found this strange creature, with its steel hide impenetrable to bullets, stalled, curiosity and a desire for revenge was a fillip to their courage. They went after it with the avidity of prehistoric man, stalking a wounded mammoth whose bulk was fast in one of the allies of the cave dwellers. No such game was ever seen on this western front, marked as it has been by all kinds of bizarre fighting.

According to the accounts given by the British officers with veracious solemnity, while the tank's machine guns blazed right and left some of the Germans managed to creep along the trench and under the forelegs and hinges of the crouching beast. Then they swarmed over it looking for an opening through which to strike at its vitals. They fired their rifles into joints and bombed it all over but to no more avail than burglars trying to reach the inside of a battleship turret with a jimmy. All the while the tank's machine guns kept busy at the human targets in reach while its crew, chosen daredevils, concluded to stick until they starved or the Germans found the proper can opener to get them out.

Finally, the British infantry in the rear, seeing the tank in distress, refused to wait on any general's orders that they should remain at the objective which they had gained. They were out to save the impounded tank and with a cheer they rushed the Germans and overcame them. When the crew heard the laughing and shouting in English they opened the door and called out, "We are all right if you will only get us some more juice so that the old girl can have a guzzle of her proper drink and we can take the road again."

So the infantry formed a line in front of the tank, determined to defend her to the last man, while a runner was hurried back for a can of gasoline. The gasoline arrived safely and the beast, having taken a swallow, ambled back into her preserve amid cheers. It left behind 250 dead Germans, according to its commander.

Another tank assisted in the taking of Thierval. There was once a chateau in Thierval. The cellar is still there, roofed by the remains of the dwelling, bricks, stone and mortar, in a thick shell of pounded debris which protects it from penetration by even nine and twelve high explosives.

Here the Germans waited, smoking their mild cigars and drinking soda water which was brought up through shell-proof underground tunnels, while the ruins over their heads were belabored by the British artillery. They had the sense of security of an early Kansas settler when he went below and closed his cellar door during a cyclone.

Of course, they had a machine gun ready to welcome the British infantry instantly that the British bombardment stopped. When that began to rattle, Sir Thomas Atkins took cover and considered ways and means of silencing it. His meditations were interrupted by the appearance of a tank which, with elephantine deliberation, lumbered across the trenches and dipping its vertebral ponderosity in and out of the shell holes made a quick finish of the cellar and its occupants.

The taking of Thierval and the Colliery redoubt, which lies between it and Courcellette, was a wonderful business.

Thierval was held by the One Hundred and Eightieth German regiment, which had been there for a long time. According to prisoners, the defenders had forfeited the commanding ridge with an amazing series of rattle and rumble. They had dug into the chalky earth with beaver-like industry until they were safe under a shellfire which would have turned a fort like Maubeuge or Liege or any other of the pre-war type into the jumbled grave of its garrison. The One Hundred and Eightieth asked permission to remain in Thierval, giving their word that it would never be taken from them, and the German army commander consented.

Not only at this village but all along the ridge upon which it lies the whole Anglo-French movement was the same maze of warrens where the Germans lived with all the comforts of home. The One Hundred and Eightieth had culled its brains to make Thierval the very last word in this kind of defense. It was this sort of preparation which stopped the British at Konelli. When the British charged after an artillery bombardment, the Germans popped out of their hiding places with machine guns and covered the British with a deadly spray. Yesterday when the British went after Thierval, the British redoubt, the Britons, as one, reached the doors of the dugouts almost as soon as the last shell of the preliminary bombardment burst. A hurricane of shell fire kept the Germans in their burrows and when it had lifted the British were there. The Germans were trapped in many dugouts where escape was cut off, and captured.

All of yesterday the British were prying for the entrances to dugouts in the blackened ruins of the town amid the stench of all kinds of explosives as well as gas and lachrymatory gases. There was sporadic hand to hand fighting and at intervals, Germans appeared from the bowels of the earth with their hands up, surrendered to the British soldiers who were smoking cigars found in German dugouts.

An example of what persistent digging will do in the extension of cellars of buildings is given by Mouquet Farm, which the British took on the fifteenth. They blew in the mouth to all the entrances of dugouts that they could find and had advanced their line well beyond the farm when the Germans saw a German standing on a sort of a slag heap. They beckoned to him and he thought they were prisoners left behind by their escort and as he went toward them one shot him dead.

After on other Germans came to the surface and began firing into the backs of a party of British pioneers who promptly dropped their shovels and took after the burrowers. When the pioneers returned after a fierce underground melee they brought with them as prisoners an officer and fifty men. It is supposed that the German had found the forgotten tunnels of a medieval monastery and had added auxiliary ones to suit their own purpose.

All observers agreed that of late the Germans, when left in isolated strong points with orders to hold fast to their positions, as a last resort, were inclined to obey their instructions to the letter. An officer of the second Prussian guards reserve division, who was captured yesterday, was in a state of exceptional disgust and expressed himself freely.

"We got no support from our battery," he said. "The British had double our number of guns and three times as many aeroplanes while our aviators seemed to have lost their nerve. My battalion was always put in the worst possible position. Some of my men, who were given Rexa ammunition, threw down their arms without waiting to fire when the British charged. Machine gun squads and last ditch parties are left to stick in face of the British guns and British charges with the assurance that if they stick it a counter-attack will rescue them. It is the counter-attacks that fail to materialize as they did at first. I gave in, I had had enough."

However, the officers of the British staff spoke of this man in their dispassionate way as a man with a grievance and paid a tribute to the stubborn bravery of the Germans in the Soliers redoubt where he was taken. The British spent today in taking ground in a number of smaller attacks in order to rectify their new line.

RECEPTION TONIGHT TO NEW MEMBERS AT ST. RITA'S GUILD HOUSE

Members of St. Rita's Guild will welcome new members at a reception to be held in the guild house, 688 Myrtle avenue, this evening at 7:30 o'clock. Miss Mary Light, who is in charge of the arrangements, has planned an interesting program of music and readings. An opportunity will be given for all to meet Mrs. P. J. Collins, the new matron, and to register for the classes for the coming season.

The classes arranged for each evening and one afternoon. The evening will begin at 7:30 o'clock. On Monday evening Mrs. Leonard O'Connor will have charge of a class in dressmaking while Miss Agnes Collins of the high school faculty will teach a class in stenography. Plain sewing under Mrs. Charles Deas and millinery under Mrs. Nellie Dunn will be opened Tuesday. Professor Herman, organist and choir director of the Sacred Heart church, will lead a glee club on Wednesday evening. Mrs. Collins will have a basketry class on that same evening. Sister Adolph will teach French conversation every Thursday afternoon at 5 o'clock and three classes on Thursday evening are practical education taught by Miss Anna Dargan, domestic science, Miss Helen Boylan and dramatic art by Miss Margaret Kieley. Nursing on Friday night will be taught by a corps of competent nurses and doctors of the city and a gymnasium class will be organized at a later date.

SUES FOR INSURANCE CASH.

Clinton H. Hurd, administrator on the estate of Isaac Wilson, late of Fairfield, has brought suit against Leonard E. Morehouse, administrator of Hurd and C. V. Brothwell of Fairfield. The suit is a friendly action to determine the ownership of \$2,000 insurance money. After Wilson died it was found that the insurance was not listed in the estate and the administrator wanted the superior court to determine which of the heirs is entitled to the money.

CONTINUE WILIE CASE

(Special to The Farmer)
Fairfield, Sept. 28.—The case of Andrew Willie of Bridgeport, charged with assault upon Helen Kish, aged 10 years of 643 Bostwick avenue, Bridgeport, was continued until Tuesday, Oct. 3, by Judge Bacon Wakeman under bonds of \$1,000.

The Turkish government has granted permission to a large number of American Jews at Jaffa, Syria, to come to the United States.

FELL WOMAN, THEN ROB HER OF HER MONEY

Footpads Attack Mill Hill Resident and Escape With Her Purse.

Followed by two men as she left her home, at 51 Mill Hill avenue, at 9:30 last night, Mrs. Evelyn Taylor, was struck a blow in one eye, knocked down and robbed of her purse, containing a \$5 gold piece and \$9 in bills.

Mrs. Taylor asserts that the moment she left the steps of her house, the footpads, whom she describes as two short young men wearing caps, passed her on the sidewalk, allowing her to get ahead of them after they had walked about 100 feet.

Just as the woman was a few feet in front, one of them struck her with his fist a terrific blow, while the other grabbed her handbag containing the money. They made good their escape and the police have no clue other than the meagre description given them by Mrs. Taylor, to work on.

VILLA BANDITS, NEAR U.S. LINE, HOLD UP TRAINS

Field Headquarters, American Punitive Expedition in Mexico, Sept. 27, by Radio to Columbus, N. M., Sept. 28.—Francisco Villa with 600 men was at Santa Clara ranch, 30 miles east of Nampiqua, on Sept. 22, for the immediate purpose of capturing trains near Laguna and with the idea of striking north and invading Texas in the vicinity of Fabens, according to the latest and most detailed report of the bandit leader's movements received tonight at field headquarters.

The following leading adherents are said to be with Villa: Jose Inez Salazar, Martin Lopez, three Murga brothers, Nicolas Fernandez.

Villa himself is said to be unable to walk without a crutch or to put his right foot on the ground. The horses in his band are reported to be in poor condition and his followers are said to be in rags.

The American expeditionary headquarters declined to vouch for the authenticity of the reports, but it is believed possible Villa might enter the Santa Clara country for the purpose of recruiting or securing a base from which he could attack trains and obtain supplies.

The report makes no mention of a pursuing force, but the fact that Carranza troops are moving towards that part of Chihuahua is known at headquarters.

Investigation today failed to substantiate a report that a fight occurred last night at San Luis ranch, 40 miles east of the American headquarters.

FINE STRATFORD LABORER \$10 FOR STEALING 20 CENTS

(Special to The Farmer.)

Stratford, Sept. 28.—John Howard, a laborer employed by the Wike & Sundin Co. of Bridgeport, was fined \$10 and costs by Judge Howard M. Curtis in the Stratford town court today for stealing twenty cents from Benjamin Smith, an employee of the Harold C. Lovell & Co. An appeal was taken under bonds of \$50 furnished by Wike & Sundin Co. Smith told the court that he had been missing money for the past two weeks. Both he and Howard are working on a new house owned by John Smith of Cut Spring road. Before going to work yesterday morning Smith informed Mr. Lovell that he had missed \$2.70 last week and in the interim small amounts of change. Mr. Lovell suggested marking some coin and leave it in his vest pocket. A dime and two nickels were marked and placed in Smith's pocket. When he arrived on the job he took off his vest and left it in the cellar. A short time afterwards Howard was seen going to the cellar and searching Smith's pockets. When the latter looked for the coin it was gone. He questioned the laborer who denied having taken it. The money was found later hidden in back of the garage of the owner of the property.

Rev. Robert C. Whitehead, assistant pastor to Rev. Edward N. Packard, D. D., pastor of the Stratford Congregational church, will be ordained, Tuesday, Oct. 3, at the church. Thirty delegates will be present. The ordination will take place in the evening. Supper will follow.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Methodist church will hold a harvest supper, Oct. 19 at the church.

DREDGER IS SUNK

New Haven, Sept. 28.—The dredger Enmore, in tow of tug T. A. Scott, Jr., from New London to Saugatuck, sank two miles east of Southwest Ledge light, off this harbor, during last night. The crew were taken off.

POINTS OF INTEREST.

Fresh Sea Food.—Fresh caught harbor blues, cape butterfish, steak flounder, steak cod, steak pollock, market cod, weakfish, rock bass, smoked flounder haddies, large bluefish, sea bass, steamed, fresh shore haddock, herring, smelts, eels, flatfish, bluefish, small fresh mackerel, round clams in shell, little necks, prime soft shell crabs, live lobsters, escallops, opened clams, shell oysters, Blue Points and opened oysters. Meat Specials for Friday and Saturday.—Legs of genuine spring lamb, legs of young mutton, legs of yearling lamb, chuck roasts of beef, pot roasts of beef, prime rib roasts of beef, small lean pork loins, fresh shoulders, fresh hams, hocks, heads, feet, tails, ribs, bones, and leaf lard, home made sausage meat, all the different brands in packages. A full line of cooked meats and salads, quality poultry. Bridgeport Public Market, and Branch, State and Bank streets, East Main street. Phones.

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11 ARCADE, A FEW STEPS FROM MAIN STREET

Bridgeport Youths Are Fined For Theft

Meriden, Sept. 28.—The tires which Harry Johnson and George Raube, of Bridgeport, got so easily from a doctor's machine after two on their own machine had blown out, cost each \$50 and costs in city court today. They pleaded guilty. The men brought girl friends with them on a trip here. When they had tire punctures they took tires from the machine of Dr.

Alfred A. Rousseau and replaced the useless ones on the latter's automobile.

A memorial to Minnesota soldiers who died in Andersonville Confederate prison, near Americus, Ga., during the Civil War was unveiled at the Andersonville national cemetery.

Major W. E. Lank of the Delaware regiment was thrown from his horse and painfully injured during a review of the National Guard brigade encamped at Deming, N. M.

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